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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Messing, Robert O. et al.

Serial No.: 09/340,283

Examiner: R. Shukla

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Art Unit: 1632

For: PROTEIN KINASE C EPSILON AS A MODULATOR OF ANXIETY,
ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF
DRUGS OF ABUSE

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

In response to the Final Action of September 13, 2001, the period for response having been extended as a result of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-9, 11-28 and 40-53.

Please replace Claims 10, 29, 31-33, 35-36, and 38-39 with substitute Claims 10, 29, 31-33, 35-36, and 38-39 below. A version of the claims with markings to show the changes made is attached. The attached version also shows new and reiterated claims.